



**User's Manual** 

**Wireless LAN Access Point** 

Model No.: SP918GK

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# Chapter 1 Introduction

This product is an access point for IEEE 802.11g/b 2.4GHz wireless network. You can use this access point to build up a wireless LAN. Any wireless LAN station can join to wireless network easily by using the "Infrastructure Mode" of SP918GK.

The product supports WEP, WPA, ESSID and MAC address filter functions to consolidate the wireless network security. With ESSID authentication, 64/128 bit WEP encryption and MAC address filtering you can prevent unauthorized wireless stations from accessing your wireless network.

This product provides easy-to-use user interface and allows users to configuring from web browser. Also it integrates DHCP server to provide multiple wireless and wired users to get their IP address automatically. With the versatile of features, this product is the best choice for you to integrate your wireless and wired network seamlessly.

# 1.1 Package Contents

Before you start installing the product, please verify the following items in the package:

- Wireless Access Point
- Quick installation guide
- Manual CD
- Detachable antenna
- Accessories
- Power adapter

# 1.2 Features

- Compliant with IEEE 802.11g Wireless LAN standard
- Operate in 2.4GHz frequency band
- Auto data rate selection at 1~54Mbps
- Support 64/128-bit WEP encryption, WPA, 802.1x and Access Control List for security
- Supports Web-based management

# 1.3 Specifications

- Standards: IEEE 802.11b/g (Wireless), IEEE 802.3, IEEE 802.3u (Ethernet)
- Data Rate: 54/48/36/24/18/12/11/9/6/5.5/2/1Mbps auto fallback
- Security: 64/128-bit WEP Data encryption, WPA, 802.1x and Access Control List
- Frequency Band: 2.400~2.4835GHz (Industrial Scientific Medical Band)
- Radio Technology: OFDM/ DSSS
- Antenna: External detachable dipole antenna (with RP-SMA connector)
- Connectors: 10/100M RJ-45 x 1
- Power: 12VDC, 0.5A
- Transmit Power: 16dBm (Typical)
- LEDs: Power, LAN Link/Activity, Wireless Activity
- Dimension: 128 x 88 x 28 mm
- Weight: 160g

• Temperature:

Operating: 32~122°F (0~50°C) Storage: -4~158°F(-20~70°C)

• Humidity: 10-90% (Noncondensing)

• Certification: FCC, CE

# 1.4 Physical Description

#### **Front Panel**

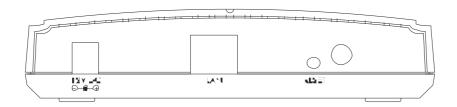
On the Access Point's front panel there are LED lights that inform you of the Access Point's current status. Below is an explanation of each LED.



LED	Color	Status	Description
Power	Green	Lit Off	Power is supplied. No Power.
Wireless Activity	Green	Flash Off	Antenna is transmitting or receiving data.  Antenna is not transmitting or receiving data.
LAN Link/Activity	Green	On Flash Off	A valid link is established.  It is transmitting or receiving data.  No link is established.

#### **Back Panel**

Access Point's connection ports are located on the back panel. Below is the description of each connection port.



#### Antenna Connector

This round connection is standard Reverse SMA connector where any antenna with Reverse SMA connector can connect to the Access Point.

# DC Adapter Port Insert the power plug of the power adapter into this port.

#### LAN Port

The Access Point's LAN port is where you connect to your LAN's network devices.

#### Reset

The Reset button allows you to do one of two things.

- 1) If problems occur with your Access Point, press the reset button with a pencil tip (for less than 4 seconds) and the Access Point will re-boot itself, keeping your original configurations.
- 2) If problems persist or you experience extreme problems or you forgot your password, press the reset button for longer than 4 seconds and the Access Point will reset itself to the factory default settings (warning: your original configurations will be replaced with the factory default settings).

# Chapter 2 Wireless LAN Access Point Connection

#### 1. Locate an optimum location for the Wireless LAN Access Point.

The best location for your Access Point is usually at the center of your wireless network, with line of sight to all of your mobile stations.

#### 2. Connect the Wireless LAN Access Point to your router, hub or switch.

Connect one end of standard UTP cable to the Access Point's LAN Port and connect the other end of the cable to a switch, a router or a hub. The Access Point will then connect to your existed wired LAN Network.

# 3. Connect the Original DC Power Adapter to the Wireless LAN Access Point's Power Socket.

Only use the power adapter supplied with the Access Point. Using a different adapter may damage the product.

The Hardware Installation is complete.

# Chapter 3 Wireless LAN Access Point Configuration

# 3.1 Getting Started

This Access Point provides web-based configuration tool allowing you to configure from wired or wireless stations. Follow the instructions below to get started configuration.

#### From Wired Station

1. Make sure your wired station is in the same subnet with the Access Point. The default IP Address and Sub Mask of the Access Point is:

**Default IP Address: 192.168.2.1 Default Subnet: 255.255.25.0** 

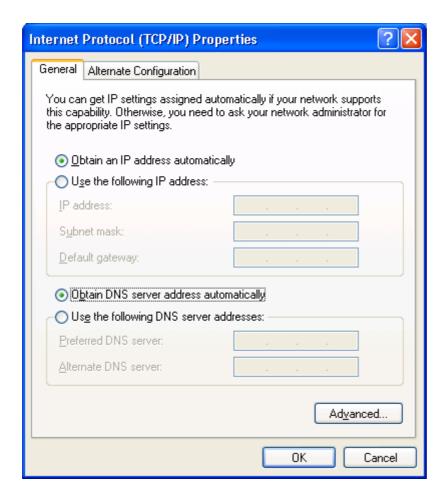
#### Configure your PC to be in the same subnet with the Access Point.

- 1a) Windows 95/98/Me
  - 1. Click the *Start* button and select *Settings*, then click *Control Panel*. The *Control Panel* window will appear.
  - 2. Double-click Network icon. The Network window will appear.
  - 3. Check your list of *Network Components*. If TCP/IP is not installed, click the *Add* button to install it now. If TCP/IP is installed, go to **step 6**.
  - 4. In the Network Component Type dialog box, select Protocol and click Add button.
  - 5. In the *Select Network Protocol* dialog box, select *Microsoft and TCP/IP* and then click the *OK* button to start installing the TCP/IP protocol. You may need your Windows CD to complete the installation.
  - 6. After installing TCP/IP, go back to the *Network* dialog box. Select *TCP/IP* from the list of *Network Components* and then click the *Properties* button.
  - 7. Check each of the tabs and verify the following settings:
    - Bindings: Check Client for Microsoft Networks and File and printer sharing for Microsoft Networks.
    - Gateway: All fields are blank.
    - **DNS Configuration**: Select *Disable DNS*.
    - WINS Configuration: Select Disable WINS Resolution.

- IP Address: Select *Specify an IP Address*. Specify the IP Address and Subnet Mask as following example.
  - ✓ IP Address: 192.168.2.3 (any IP address within 192.168.2.2~192.168.2.254 is available, do not setup 192.168.2.1)
  - ✓ Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
- 8. Reboot the PC. Your PC will now have the IP Address you specified.

#### 1b) Windows XP

- 1: Click the *Start* button and select *Settings*, then click *Network Connections*. The *Network Connections* window will appear.
- 2: Double-click Local Area Connection icon. The Local Area Connection window will appear.
- 3: Check your list of Network Components. You should see *Internet Protocol [TCP/IP]* on your list. Select it and click the *Properties* button.
- 4: In the Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) Properties window, select *Obtain an IP address automatically* and *Obtain DNS server address automatically* as shown on the following screen.



5: Click *OK* to confirm the setting. Your PC will now obtain an IP address automatically from your Broadband Router's DHCP server.

**Note**: Please make sure that the Broadband router's DHCP server is the only DHCP server available on your LAN.

Once you've configured your PC to obtain an IP address automatically, please proceed to Step 3.

#### 1c) Windows 2000

- 1. Click the *Start* button and select *Settings*, then click *Control Panel*. The *Control Panel* window will appear.
- 2. Double-click *Network and Dial-up Connections* icon. In the *Network and Dial-up Connection* window, double-click *Local Area Connection* icon. The *Local Area Connection* window will appear.
- 3. In the *Local Area Connection* window, click the *Properties* button.
- 4. Check your list of *Network Components*. You should see *Internet Protocol [TCP/IP]* on your list. Select it and click the *Properties* button.
- 5. In the *Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) Properties* window, select *Use the following IP address* and specify the IP Address and Subnet mask as following.
  - ✓ IP Address: 192.168.2.3 (any IP address within 192.168.2.2~192.168.2.254 is available, do not setup 192.168.2.1)

- ✓ Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
- 6. Click *OK* to confirm the setting. Your PC will now have the IP Address you specified.

#### 1d) Windows NT

- 1. Click the *Start* button and select *Settings*, then click *Control Panel*. The *Control Panel* window will appear.
- 2. Double-click *Network* icon. The *Network* window will appear. Select the *Protocol* tab from the *Network* window.
- 3. Check if the *TCP/IP Protocol* is on your list of *Network Protocols*. If *TCP/IP* is not installed, click the *Add* button to install it now. If *TCP/IP* is installed, go to **step 5**.
- 4. In the Select *Network Protocol* window, select the *TCP/IP Protocol* and click the *Ok* button to start installing the *TCP/IP protocol*. You may need your Windows CD to complete the installation.
- 5. After you install *TCP/IP*, go back to the *Network* window. Select *TCP/IP* from the list of *Network Protocols* and then click the *Properties* button.
- 6. Check each of the tabs and verify the following settings:
  - IP Address: Select Specify an IP address. Specify the IP Address and Subnet Mask as following example.
    - ✓ IP Address: 192.168.2.3 (any IP address within 192.168.2.2~192.168.2.254 is available, do not setup 192.168.2.1)
    - ✓ Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
  - **DNS:** Let all fields are blank.
  - **WINS:** Let all fields are blank.
  - **Routing:** Let all fields are blank.
- 7. Click *OK* to confirm the setting. Your PC will now have the IP Address you specified.
- 2. Enter **192.168.2.1** from Web Browser to get into the Access Point's configuration tool.
- 3. A screen will be popped up and request you to enter user name and password. The default user name and password is as follows.

User Name: Admin

Password: 1234

Enter the default user name and password, then press **OK** button directly.

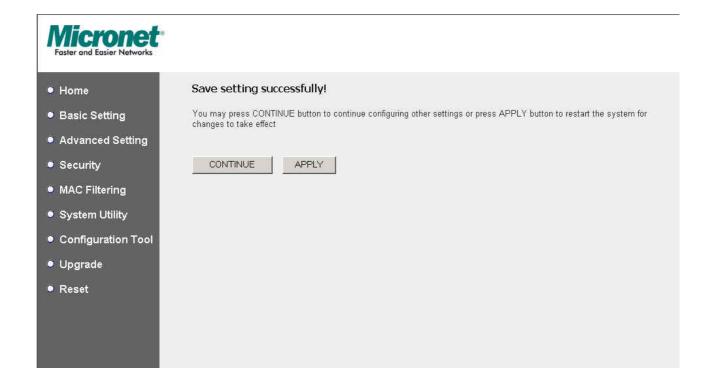


4. You can start configuring the Access Point.

#### **From Wireless Station**

- 1. Make sure your wireless station is in the same subnet with the Access Point. Please refer to the **step 1** above for configuring the IP Address and Sub Mask of the wireless station.
- 2. Connect to the Access Point.
  - The Access Point's default ESSID is "**default**" and the WEP Encryption function is disabled. Make sure your wireless station is using the same ESSID as the Access Point and associate your wireless station to the Access Point.
- 3. Enter **192.168.2.1** from Web Browser to get into the Access Point's configuration tool.
- 4. Enter the user name and password and then press **OK** button and you are available to configure the Access Point now.

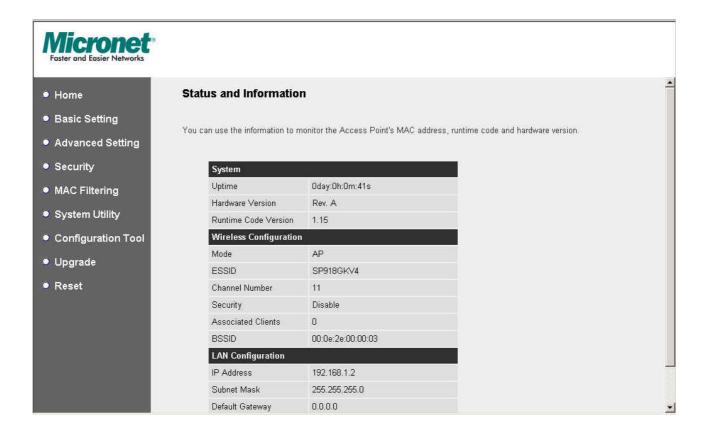
# 3.2 Configuring the Access Point



Every time when you have finished modifying a setting page and click "Apply" button, this page will pop-up. The settings have been successfully saved but will not take effect immediately. You have to restart the access point to make the new settings take effect. You can click "CONTINUE" button to continue other settings. You also can click "APPLY" to restart the system and make the settings take effect.

#### 3.2.1 Status and Information

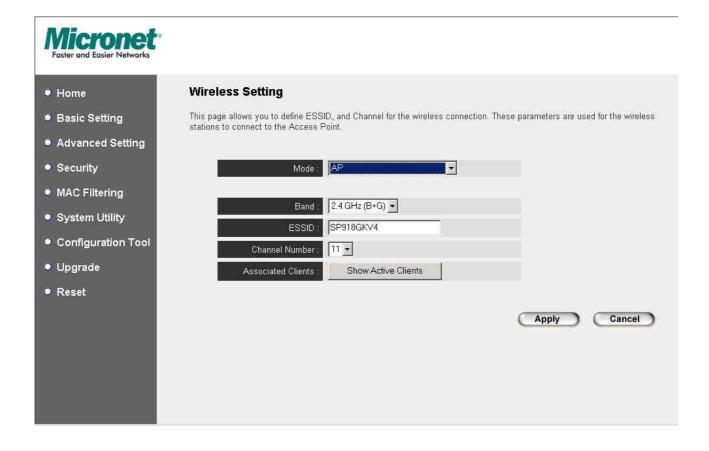
On this screen, you can see the general information of the Access Point including Alias Name, Firmware Version, ESSID, Channel Number, Status, IP Address, MAC Address, etc.



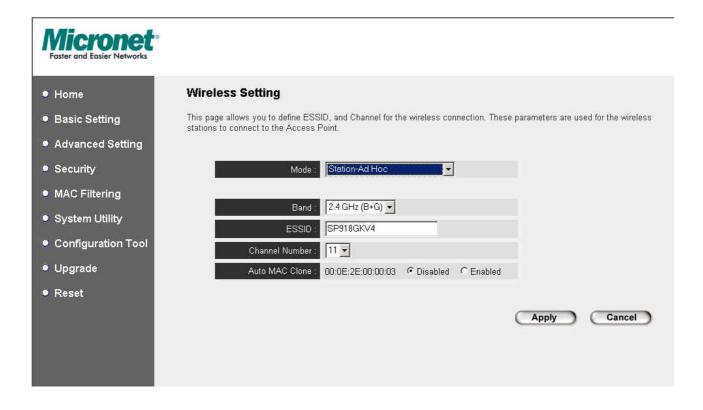
# 3.2.2 Wireless Setting

This Access Point supports AP, Station, Bridge, WDS and Universal Repeater modes. "AP Mode" provides pure access point function. The simplest way to build up a wireless LAN is to use "AP Mode". "Station Mode" is used to let a network device with only wired Ethernet function to have wireless LAN communication capability. It provides both Ad Hoc and Infrastructure modes for the "Station Mode". With "Station-Ad Hoc mode", it can let your network device join a wireless LAN with peer-to-peer communication. With "Station-Infrastructure mode", it can let your network device join a wireless LAN through an access point. "AP Bridge Mode" provides the function to bridge more than 2 wired Ethernet networks together by wireless LAN. You can use two access points with "AP Bridge-Point to Point mode" to bridge two wired Ethernet networks together. If you want to bridge more than two wired Ethernet networks together, you have to use enough access points with "AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode". An access point with "AP Bridge-Point to Point mode" or "AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode" can only be used to bridge wired Ethernet networks together. It can't accept connection from other wireless station at the same time. If you want an access point to bridge wired Ethernet network and provide connection service for other wireless station at the same time, you have to set the access point to "AP Bridge-WDS mode". Simply speaking, "AP Bridge-WDS mode" function is the combination of "AP mode" and "AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode". "Universal Repeater Mode" provides the function to act as AP client and AP at the same time. It can use AP client function to connect to a Root AP and use AP function to service all wireless stations within its coverage. All the stations within the coverage of this access point can be bridged to the Root AP. "Universal Repeater Mode" is very convenient to extend the coverage of your wireless network.

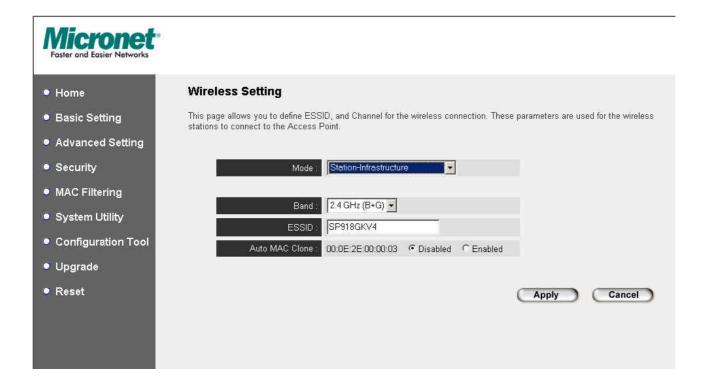
# **AP mode setting page:** provides pure access point function.



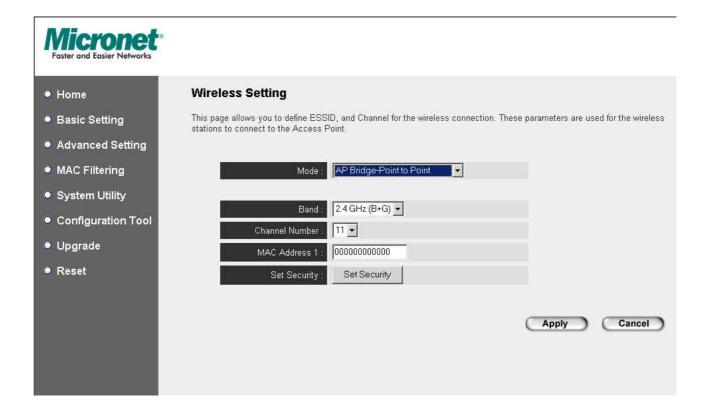
**Station-Ad Hoc mode setting page:** it can let your network device join a wireless LAN with peer-to-peer communication.



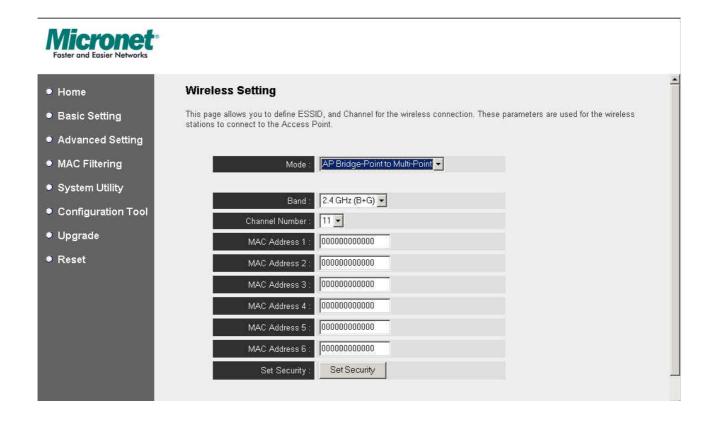
**Station-Infrastructure mode setting page:** it can let your network device join a wireless LAN through an access point.



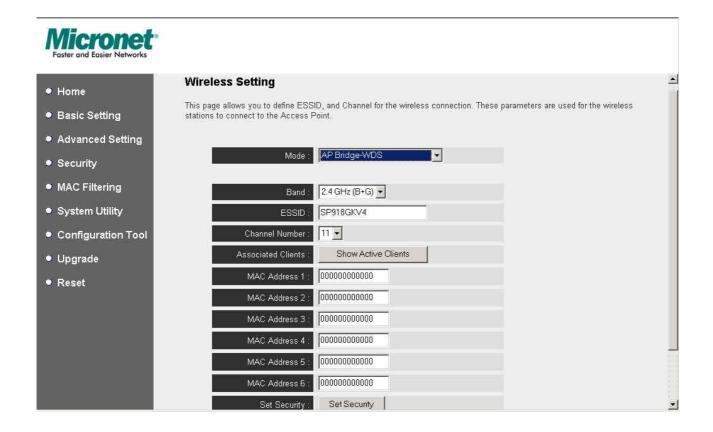
**AP Bridge-Point to Point mode setting page:** You can use two access points with "AP Bridge-Point to Point mode" to bridge two wired Ethernet networks together.



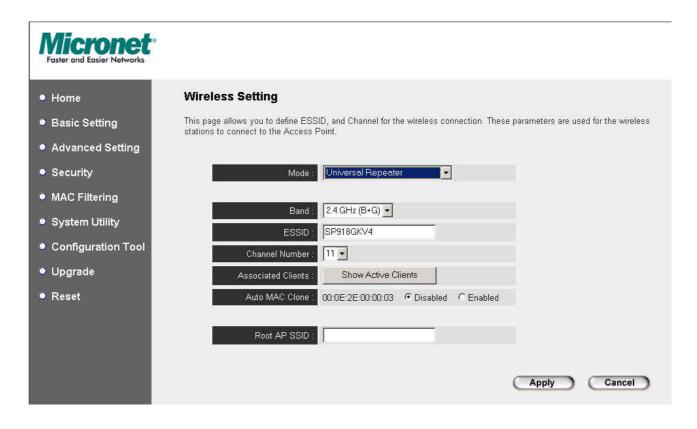
**AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode setting page:** can only be used to bridge wired Ethernet networks together. It can't accept connection from other wireless station at the same time.



**AP Bridge-WDS mode setting page:** is the combination of "AP mode" and "AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode" which provide connection service for other wireless station at the same time.



**Universal Repeater mode setting page:** provides the function to act as AP client and AP at the same time. It can use AP client function to connect to a Root AP and use AP function to service all wireless stations within its coverage.



Parameter	Description
ESSID	The ESSID (up to 31 printable ASCII characters) is the unique name identified
	in a WLAN. The ID prevents the unintentional merging of two co-located
	WLANs. Please make sure that the ESSID of all stations in the same WLAN
	network are the same. The default ESSID is "default". You should assign
	ESSID in "AP mode", "Station-Ad Hoc mode", "Station-Infrastructure mode",
	"AP Bridge-WDS mode" and "Universal Repeater mode".
Band	It allows you to set the AP fix at 802.11b or 802.11g mode. You also can select
	B+G mode to allow the AP select 802.11b and 802.11g connection
	automatically.
Channel Number	Select the appropriate channel from the list provided to correspond with your
	network settings. Channels differ from country to country.
	Channel 1-11 (North America)
	Channel 1-14 (Japan)
	Channel 1-13 (Europe)

There are 14 channels available.

You should assign Channel Number in "AP mode", "Station-Ad Hoc mode", "AP Bridge-Point to Point mode", "AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode" and "AP Bridge-WDS mode", "Universal Repeater mode".

MAC Address If you want to bridge more than one wired Ethernet networks together with

wireless LAN, you have to set this access point to "AP Bridge-Point to Point mode", "AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode" or "AP Bridge-WDS mode". You have to enter the MAC addresses of other access points that join the

bridging work.

WLAN MAC In "Station-Ad Hoc mode", "Station-Infrastructure mode" and "Universal

Repeater mode", this device need a WLAN MAC address to act as a station to connect to other peer or access point. You also can click "Clone MAC" button to let this device copy the MAC address of the PC you are using to configure this

device.

Root AP SSID In "Universal Repeater mode", this device can act as a station to connect to a

Root AP. You should assign the SSID of the Root AP here.

Set Security In "AP Bridge-Point to Point mode", ""AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode"

and "AP Bridge-WDS mode", you can click "Set Security" to add encryption for the communication between the bridged access points. This can protect your

wireless network.

Associated Clients Click "Show Active Clients" button, then an "Active Wireless Client Table" will

pop up. You can see the status of all active wireless stations that are connecting

to the access point.

Wireless Site Survey When you use this access point as a wireless station for wired network device to

have wireless capability, you have to associate it will an working access point.

Click "Select Site Survey" button, then a "Wireless Site Survey Table" will pop

up. It will list all available access points near by. You can select one access point

in the table and it will join wireless LAN through this access point.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

# **Set Security**

"Set Security" let you setup the wireless security for the data transmission between the bridged access points in "AP Bridge-Point to Point mode", "AP Bridge-Point to Multi-Point mode" or "AP Bridge-WDS mode". It provides "WEP 64bits", "WEP 128bits", "WPA (TKIP)", "WPA2 (AES)" encryption methods.



Parameter	Description
Encryption	You can select "No encryption", "WEP 64bits", "WEP 128bits", "WPA (TKIP)" or "WPA2 (AES)" encryption methods.
Key Format	This is only used when you select "WEP 64bits" or "WEP 128bits" encryption method. You may select to select ASCII Characters (alphanumeric format) or Hexadecimal Digits (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) to be the WEP Key. For example:  ASCII Characters: guest Hexadecimal Digits: 12345abcde
WEP Key	This is only used when you select "WEP 64bits" or "WEP 128bits" encryption

method. The WEP key is used to encrypt data transmitted between the bridged

access points. Fill the text box by following the rules below.

64-bit WEP: input 10-digit Hex values (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) or

5-digit ASCII character as the encryption keys.

128-bit WEP: input 26-digit Hex values (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) or

10-digit ASCII characters as the encryption keys.

Pre-shared Key Format You may select to select Passphrase (alphanumeric format) or Hexadecimal

Digits (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) to be the Pre-shared Key. For

example:

Passphrase: iamguest

Hexadecimal Digits: 12345abcde

Pre-shared Key

The Pre-shared key is used to authenticate and encrypt data transmitted between

the bridged access points. Fill the text box by following the rules below. Hex

WEP: input 64-digit Hex values (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) or at least

8 character pass phrase as the pre-shared keys.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

#### **Active Wireless Client Table**

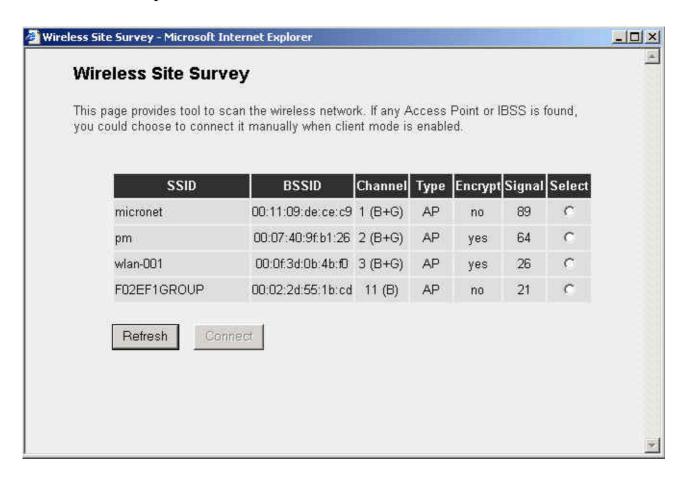
"Active Wireless Client Table" records the status of all active wireless stations that are connecting to the access point. You can lookup the MAC Address, Number of Transmitted Packets, Number of Received Packets and Encryption Status of each active wireless client in this table.



Parameter	Description
MAC Address	MAC address of this active wireless station.
Tx Packet	The number of transmitted packets that are sent out from this active wireless station.
Rx Packet	The number of received packets that are received by this active wireless station.
TX Rate	The transmission rate in Mbps.
Power Saving	Shows if the wireless client is in Power Saving mode.
Expired Time	The time in second before dissociation. If the wireless keeps idle long than the expired time, this access point will dissociate it. The wireless client station has to associate again when it become active.
Refresh	Refresh the "Active Wireless Client Table".

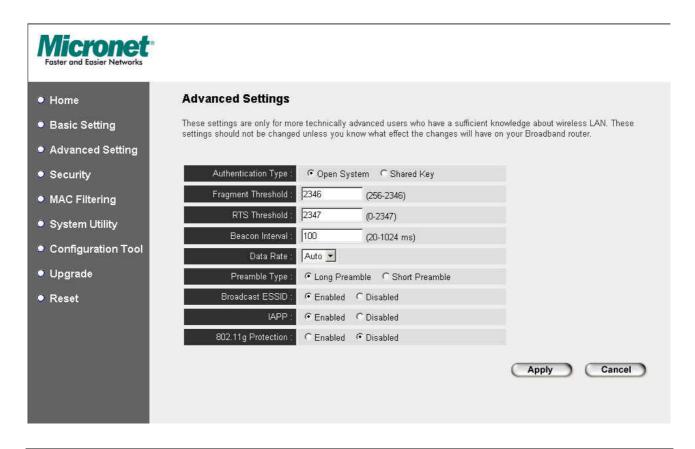
### **Wireless Site Survey**

When this access point is in "Station-Ad Hoc mode", "Station-Infrastructure mode" or "Universal Repeater mode", it should associate with an access point or station and connect to your wireless LAN through the associated access point or station. "Wireless Site Survey" searches for all available access points near by. You can select one access point listed in this table.



# 3.2.3 Advanced Setting

You can set advanced parameters of this access point. The parameters include Authentication Type, Fragment Threshold, RTS Threshold, Beacon Interval, Tx Operation Rate, Tx Basic Rate, Preamble Type, Broadcast ESSID. You should not change these parameters unless you know what effect the changes will have on this access point.



# Parameter Description

**Authentication Type** 

There are two authentication types: "Open System" and "Shared Key". When you select "Open System", wireless stations can associate with this access point without WEP encryption. When you select "Shared Key", you should also setup WEP key in the "Encryption" page and wireless stations should use WEP encryption in the authentication phase to associate with this access point. If you select "Auto", the wireless client can associate with this access point by using any one of these two authentication types.

Fragment Threshold

"Fragment Threshold" specifies the maximum size of packet during the fragmentation of data to be transmitted. If you set this value too low, it will

result in bad performance.

RTS Threshold When the packet size is smaller than the RTS threshold, the access point will not

use the RTS/CTS mechanism to send this packet.

Beacon Interval

The interval of time that this access point broadcast a beacon. Beacon is used to

synchronize the wireless network.

Data Rate The "Data Rate" is the rate this access point uses to transmit data packets. The

access point will use the highest possible selected transmission rate to transmit

the data packets.

Preamble Type Preamble type defines the length of CRC block in the frames during the wireless

communication. "Short Preamble" is suitable for high traffic wireless network.

"Long Preamble" can provide more reliable communication.

Broadcast ESSID If you enable "Broadcast ESSID", every wireless station located within the

coverage of this access point can discover this access point easily. If you are

building a public wireless network, enabling this feature is recommended.

Disabling "Broadcast ESSID" can provide better security.

IAPP If you enable "IAPP", the access point will automatically broadcast information

of associated wireless stations to its neighbors. This will help wireless station roaming smoothly between access points. If you have more than one access points in your wireless LAN and wireless stations have roaming requirements,

enabling this feature is recommended. Disabling "IAPP" can provide better

security.

802.11g Protection This is also called CTS Protection. It is recommended to enable the protection

mechanism. This mechanism can decrease the rate of data collision between

802.11b and 802.11g wireless stations. When the protection mode is enabled, the

throughput of the AP will be a little lower due to many of frame traffic should be

transmitted.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

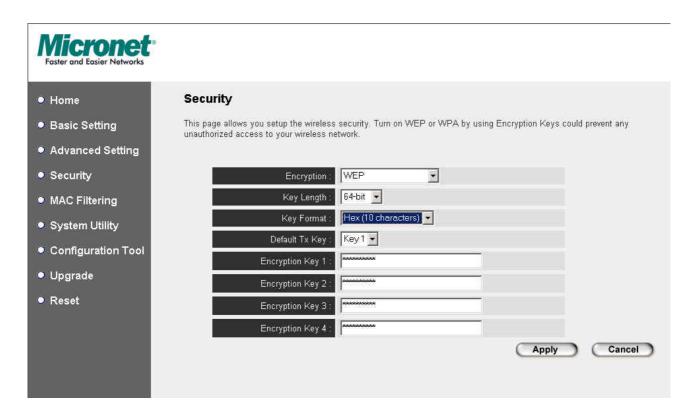
# 3.2.4 Security

This Access Point provides complete wireless LAN security functions, include WEP, IEEE 802.11x, IEEE 802.11x with WEP, WPA with pre-shared key and WPA with RADIUS. With these security functions, you can prevent your wireless LAN from illegal access. Please make sure your wireless stations use the same security function. Note: This access point can act as station and AP at the same time in "Universal Repeater mode". The security settings only apply to AP function in "Universal Repeater mode". The station function of "Universal Repeater mode" does not have security feature.



# WEP only

When you select 64-bit or128-bit WEP key, you have to enter WEP keys to encrypt data. You can generate the key by yourself and enter it. You can enter four WEP keys and select one of them as default key. Then the access point can receive any packets encrypted by one of the four keys. You can use WEP encryption in "AP mode", "Station-Ad Hoc mode", "Station-Infrastructure mode", "AP Bridge-WDS mode" and "Universal Repeater mode".



Parameter	Description
Key Length	You can select the 64 or 128-bit key to encrypt transmitted data. Larger WEP
	key length will provide higher level of security, but the throughput will be lower.
Key Format	You may select to select ASCII Characters (alphanumeric format) or
	Hexadecimal Digits (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) to be the WEP Key.
	For example:
	ASCII Characters: guest
	Hexadecimal Digits: 12345abcde
Default Tx Key	Select one of the four keys to encrypt your data. Only the key you select it in the
	"Default key" will take effect.
Key 1 - Key 4	The WEP keys are used to encrypt data transmitted in the wireless network. Fill
	the text box by following the rules below.
	64-bit WEP: input 10-digit Hex values (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) or
	5-digit ASCII character as the encryption keys.
	128-bit WEP: input 26-digit Hex values (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) or
	10-digit ASCII characters as the encryption keys.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

# 802.1x only

IEEE 802.1x is an authentication protocol. Every user must use a valid account to login to this Access Point before accessing the wireless LAN. The authentication is processed by a RADIUS server. This mode only authenticates user by IEEE 802.1x, but it does not encryption the data during communication. You can use 802.1x without encryption in "AP mode", "AP Bridge-WDS mode" and "Universal Repeater mode".

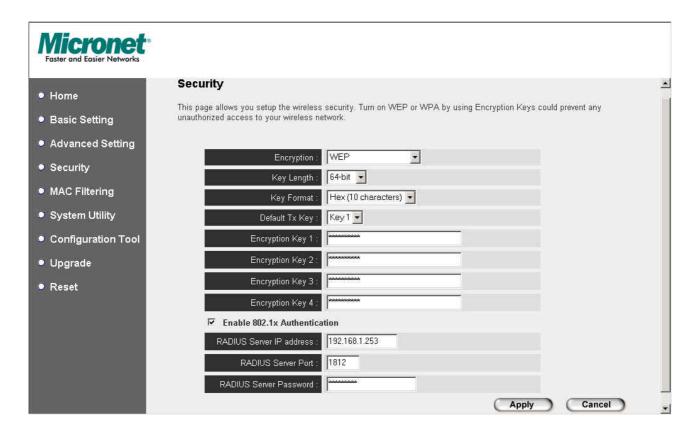


Parameter	Description
RADIUS Server IP address	The IP address of external RADIUS server.
RADIUS Server Port	The service port of the external RADIUS server.
RADIUS Server Password	The password used by external RADIUS server.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

#### 802.1x WEP static key

IEEE 802.1x is an authentication protocol. Every user must use a valid account to login to this Access Point before accessing the wireless LAN. The authentication is processed by a RADIUS server. This mode also uses WEP to encrypt the data during communication. You can use 802.1x with WEP encryption in "AP mode", "AP Bridge-WDS mode" and "Universal Repeater mode".



For the WEP settings, please refer to section "WEP only". For the 802.1x settings, please refer to section "802.1x only".

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

# WPA pre-shared key

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) is an advanced security standard. You can use a preshared key to authenticate wireless stations and encrypt data during communication. It uses TKIP or CCMP(AES) to change the encryption key frequently. So the encryption key is not easy to be broken by hackers. This can improve security very much. You can use WPA pre-shared key encryption in "AP mode", "Station-Ad Hoc

mode", "Station-Infrastructure mode", "AP Bridge-WDS mode" and "Universal Repeater mode".



Parameter	Description
WPA(TKIP)	TKIP can change the encryption key frequently to enhance the wireless LAN
	security.
WPA2(AES)	This use CCMP protocol to change encryption key frequently. AES can provide
	high level encryption to enhance the wireless LAN security.
Pre-shared Key Format	You may select to select Passphrase (alphanumeric format) or Hexadecimal
	Digits (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) to be the Pre-shared Key. For
	example:
	Passphrase: iamguest
	Hexadecimal Digits: 12345abcde
Pre-shared Key	The Pre-shared key is used to authenticate and encrypt data transmitted in the
	wireless network. Fill the text box by following the rules below. Hex WEP:
	input 64-digit Hex values (in the "A-F", "a-f" and "0-9" range) or at least 8
	character pass phrase as the pre-shared keys.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

#### WPA RADIUS

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) is an advanced security standard. You can use an external RADIUS server to authenticate wireless stations and provide the session key to encrypt data during communication. It uses TKIP or CCMP(AES) to change the encryption key frequently. This can improve security very much. You can use WPA RADIUS encryption in "AP mode", "AP Bridge-WDS mode" and "Universal Repeater mode".



Parameter	Description
WPA(TKIP)	TKIP can change the encryption key frequently to enhance the wireless LAN security.
WPA2(AES)	This use CCMP protocol to change encryption key frequently. AES can provide high level encryption to enhance the wireless LAN security.
WPA2 Mixed	This will use TKIP or AES based on the other communication peer

automatically.

RADIUS Server IP address The IP address of external RADIUS server.

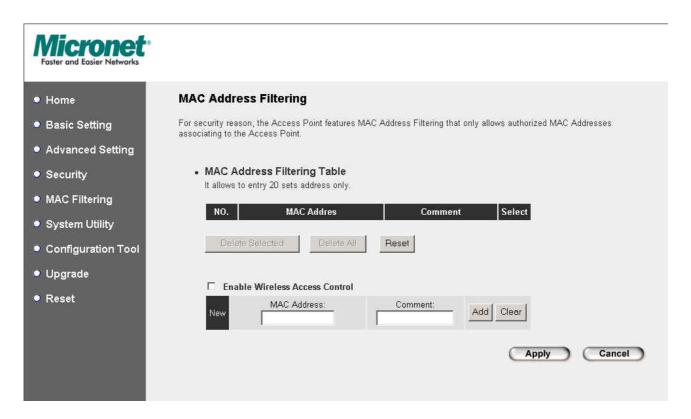
RADIUS Server Port The service port of the external RADIUS server.

RADIUS Server Password The password used by external RADIUS server.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

# 3.2.5 MAC Address Filtering

This Access Point provides MAC Address Filtering, which prevents the unauthorized MAC Addresses from accessing your wireless network.



Parameter	Description
Enable Wireless Access	Enable or disable the MAC Address Filtering function.
Control	
MAC Address Filtering Table	This table records the MAC addresses of wireless stations you want to allow to
	access your network. The "Comment" field is the description of the wireless
	station associated with the "MAC Address" and is helpful for you to recognize
	the wireless station.
Add MAC address into the	In the bottom "New" area, fill in the "MAC Address" and "Comment" of the
table	wireless station to be added and then click "Add". Then this wireless station will
	be added into the "MAC Address Filtering Table" above. If you find any typo
	before adding it and want to retype again. Just click "Clear" and both "MAC
	Address" and "Comment" fields will be cleared.

Remove MAC address from the If you want to remove some MAC address from the "MAC Address Filtering table", select the MAC addresses you want to remove in the table and then click

"Delete Selected". If you want remove all MAC addresses from the table, just

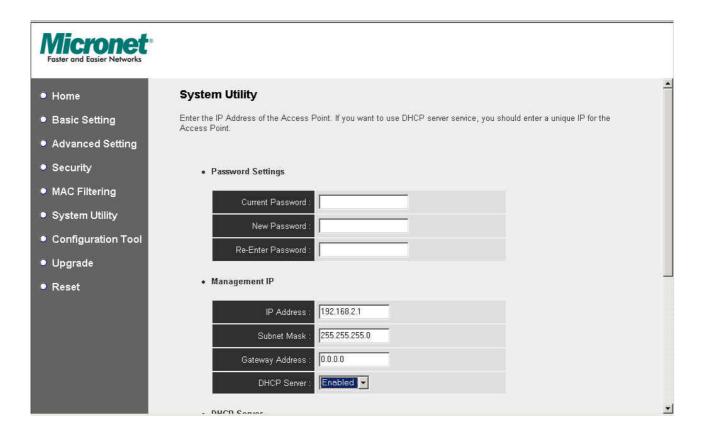
click "Delete All" button.

Reset Click "Reset" will clear your current selections.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

# 3.2.6 System Utility

From here, you can define the Access Point's IP Address and Login Password and enable the Access Point to be a DHCP Server.



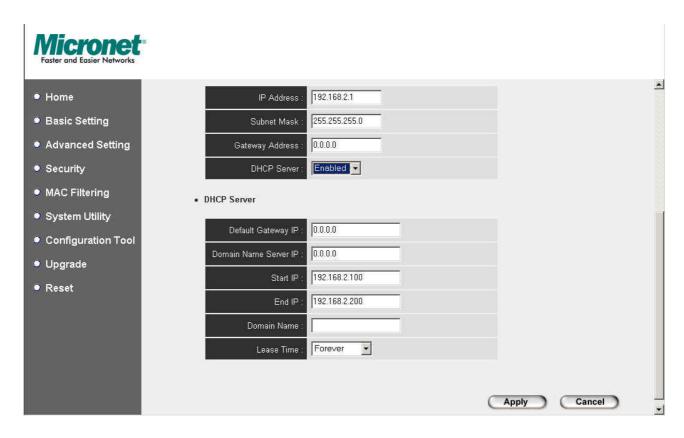
Parameter	Description
Current Password	Enter the current password (up to 15-digit alphanumeric string) of the Access
	Point. The default password for the Access Point is 1234. Note that the password
	is case-sensitive.
New Password	Enter the password (up to 15-digit alphanumeric string) you want to login to the
	Access Point. Note that the password is case-sensitive.
Re-Enter Password	Reconfirm the password (up to 15-digit alphanumeric string) you want to login
	to the Access Point. Note that the password is case-sensitive.
IP Address	Designate the Access Point's IP Address. This IP Address should be unique in
	your network. The default IP Address is <b>192.168.2.1</b> .

Subnet Mask	Specify a Subnet Mask for your LAN segment. The Subnet Mask of the Access Point is fixed and the value is <b>255.255.255.0</b> .
Gateway Address	The IP address of the default gateway of the subnet that this access point resides in. It allows this access point be accessed by PC from deferent subnet to do configuration.
DHCP Server	Enable or disable the DHCP Server.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

#### **DHCP Server Setting**

DHCP Server will automatically give your LAN client an IP address. If the DHCP is not enabled then you'll have to manually set your LAN client's IP address.



Parameter Description

Default Gateway IP Specify the gateway IP in your network. This IP address should be

different from the Management IP.

Domain Name Server IP This is the ISP's DNS server IP address that they gave you; or you can

specify your own preferred DNS server IP address.

Start IP/End IP You can designate a particular IP address range for your DHCP server to

issue IP addresses to your LAN Clients. By default the IP range is from: Start

IP 192.168.2.100 to End IP 192.168.2.200.

Domain Name You can specify the Domain Name for your Access Point.

Lease Time The DHCP Server when enabled will temporarily give your LAN client an IP

address. In the Lease Time setting you can specify the time period that the DHCP Server lends an IP address to your LAN clients. The DHCP Server will

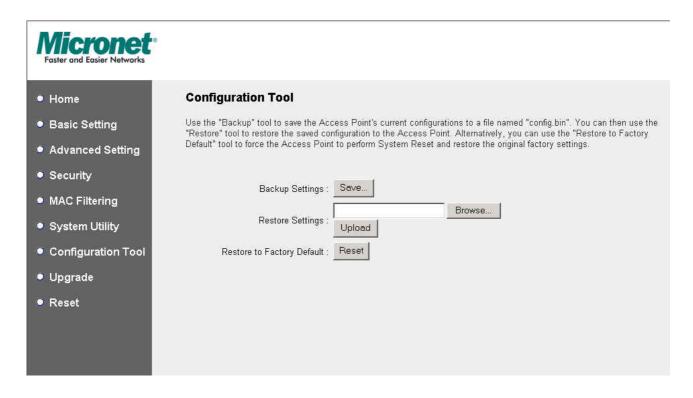
change your LAN client's IP address when this time threshold period is

reached.

Click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to save the above configurations. You can now configure other advance sections or start using the Access Point.

# 3.2.7 Configuration Tool

The Configuration Tools screen allows you to save (**Backup**) the Access Point's current configuration setting. Saving the configuration settings provides an added protection and convenience should problems occur with the Access Point and you have to reset to factory default. When you save the configuration setting (Backup) you can re-load the saved configuration into the Access Point through the **Restore** selection. If extreme problems occur you can use the **Restore to Factory Default** selection, this will set all configurations to its original default settings (e.g. when you first purchased the Access Point).

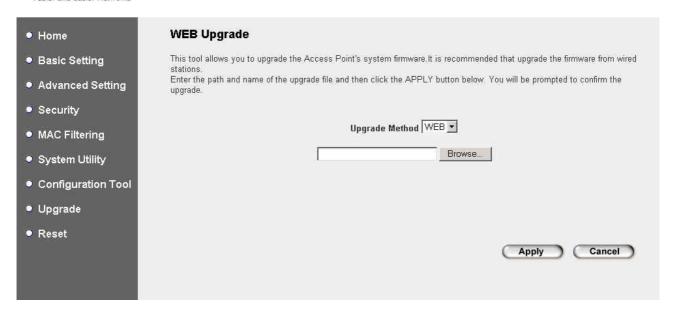


Parameter	Description
Configuration Tools	Use the "Backup" tool to save the Access Point's current configuration to a file
	named "config.bin" on your PC. You can then use the "Restore" tool to upload
	and restore the saved configuration to the Access Point. Alternatively, you can
	use the "Restore to Factory Default" tool to force the Access Point to perform a
	power reset and restore the original factory settings.

# 3.2.8 Firmware Upgrade

This page allows you to upgrade the Access Point's firmware.





Parameter	Description
Firmware Upgrade	This tool allows you to upgrade the Access Point's system firmware. To upgrade
	the firmware of your Access Point, you need to download the firmware file to
	your local hard disk, and enter that file name and path in the appropriate field on
	this page. You can also use the <b>Browse</b> button to find the firmware file on your
	PC. Please reset the Access Point when the upgrade process is complete.

Once you've selected the new firmware file, click **Apply** button at the bottom of the screen to start the upgrade process. (You may have to wait a few minutes for the upgrade to complete). Once the upgrade is complete you can start using the Access Point.

#### **3.2.9** Reset

You can reset the Access Point's system should any problem exist. The reset function essentially Re-boots your Access Point's system.



• Home	Reset
Basic Setting	In the event that the system stops responding correctly or stops functioning, you can perform a Reset. Your settings will no be changed. To perform the reset, click on the APPLY button below. You will be asked to confirm your decision. The Rese will be complete when the LED Power light stops blinking.
Advanced Setting	
Security	
MAC Filtering	
System Utility	
Configuration Tool	
<ul><li>Upgrade</li></ul>	
• Reset	
	Apply Cancel

Parameter	Description
Reset	In the event that the system stops responding correctly or in some way stops
	functioning, you can perform a reset. Your settings will not be changed. To
	perform the reset, click on the Apply button. You will be asked to confirm your
	decision. Once the reset process is complete you may start using the Access Point
	again.

# Chapter 4 Troubleshooting

This chapter provides solutions to problems usually encountered during the installation and operation of the Access Point.

#### 1. How to manually find your PC's IP and MAC Address?

- 1) In Windows, open the Command Prompt program
- 2) Type **Ipconfig /all** and **Enter** 
  - Your PC's IP address is the one entitled **IP address**
  - Your PC's MAC Address is the one entitled Physical Address

#### 2. What is Ad-hoc?

An Ad-hoc wireless LAN is a group of computers, each with a WLAN adapter, connected as an independent wireless LAN.

#### 3. What is Infrastructure?

An integrated wireless and wired LAN is called an Infrastructure configuration.

#### 4. What is BSS ID?

A group of wireless stations and an Access Point compose a Basic Service Set (BSS). Computers in a BSS must be configured with the same BSSID.

#### 5. What is ESSID?

An Infrastructure configuration could also support roaming capability for mobile workers. More than one BSS can be configured as an Extended Service Set (ESS). Users within an ESS could roam freely between BSSs while maintaining a continuous connection to the wireless network stations and the Wireless LAN Access Points.

#### 6. Can data be intercepted while transmitting through the air?

WLAN features two-fold protection in security. On the hardware side, as with Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum technology, it has the inherent scrambling security feature. On the software side, the WLAN series offers the encryption function (WEP) to enhance security and access control.

#### 7. What is WEP?

WEP stands for Wired Equivalent Privacy, a data privacy mechanism based on a 64(40)-bit shared key algorithm.

#### 8. What is a MAC Address?

The Media Access Control (MAC) address is a unique number assigned by the manufacturer to any Ethernet networking device, such as a network adapter, that allows the network to identify it at the hardware level. For all practical purposes, this number is usually permanent. Unlike IP addresses which can change every time a computer logs on to the network, the MAC address of a device stays the same, making it a valuable identifier for the network.